

STARS AND STRIPES

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A news digest for U.S. forces serving overseas

Memorial Day service recalls U.S.-French ties

BY SCOTT SCHONAUER

Stars and Stripes

DRAGUIGNAN, France

Among the olive trees, oleanders and white grave markers that dot Rhone American Cemetery, U.S. and French servicemembers, veterans and family members on Sunday honored the men buried here more than a half-century ago.

The cemetery is the final resting place of 681 American soldiers who died in southern France during World War II. On the face of a wall north of the burial ground are the names of 294 Americans whose remains were never recovered or identified.

Vice Adm. Scott Fry, commander of the U.S. 6th Fleet, told several hundred people at the ceremony that Americans and French should remember the sacrifice of the fallen, and use Memorial Day to reaffirm the unity of two allies.

"These men had faith that what they were doing was right," Fry said. "Faith that they fought for all humanity and faith that a just God would grant them mercy on this battlefield.

"They were here to liberate, not to conquer. And they did not doubt their cause. They knew that some things were worth dying for."

The ceremony commemorating Memorial Day was one of several planned at American cemeteries across Europe during the three-day holiday. Sunday's observance was a proud moment for some U.S. servicemembers chosen to participate.

"You know how you have



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Sailors and Marines stand at a Memorial Day ceremony Sunday at the Rhone American Cemetery in Draguignan, France. The remains of 681 Americans killed in World War II are buried at the cemetery 60 miles west of Nice.

stories you can tell your grandchildren?" Petty Officer 2nd Class Jason Eric Clayton said. "This will be one of my first."

Marine Cpl. Victor Gonzalez-Aguirre said he was grateful he took the part. He called it a valuable experience for younger Marines.

"It teaches young Marines the significance of days like these," he said.

While relations between the United States and France have been strained by disagreements over the Iraq war and the rebuilding effort, Fry said that the cemetery is a reminder of the strong, historical link between the two countries.

"Though at times our paths might diverge, our countries and our citizens will always

be united by a shared history and by the graves that surround us here today," he said.

The 12-acre cemetery 60 miles west of Nice is where the U.S. Army's 7th Corps launched its southern offensive in 1944. The name comes from the Rhone River, the site of numerous battles between U.S. and German forces.

French Marines and soldiers and U.S. servicemembers from Naval Station Rota in Spain and the Istres, France-based 16th Expeditionary Operations Group served as honor guard.

Commanders in Rota hand-picked deserving sailors, Marines and airmen to travel to the cemetery. Some of them admitted to being awestruck by the perfectly manicured

burial grounds on the north side of John F. Kennedy Boulevard, just beyond the heart of the small city.

"When you get off the bus and see it in real time, it does open your eyes," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Lossner, a gunner's mate stationed in Rota.

After the 90-minute ceremony, the Rota servicemembers strolled the grounds and took pictures. Some posed for photos with French soldiers.

Americans killed from the Mediterranean Sea coast of France to Lyon are buried at the cemetery.

Sixty-two of the headstones mark the graves of those who could not be identified. One entire tank crew is in one grave because their remains could not be identified.

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News tracker: What's new with old news

World

Algerian earthquake aftermath: The death toll from a devastating earthquake in northern Algeria rose to more than 2,000 Sunday, hours after furious crowds hurled debris and insults at the country's president when he visited the quake zone.

Many blame the government for the high death toll and shortages of food and water after the 6.8-magnitude quake flattened villages east of Algiers on Wednesday. The Interior Ministry said at least 2,047 people were killed and 8,626 injured, the official AP news agency reported.

Tensions in Kashmir: Pakistani and Indian troops Sunday exchanged heavy artillery and mortar fire across the Line of Control that divides disputed Kashmir between the South Asian neighbors, leaving one civilian dead and two wounded, police said.

Pakistan and India control separate parts of Kashmir, and each claims it all. They have fought two wars over the region since 1947, and tens thousands of people have since been killed in nearly daily battles between Indian troops and separatists in India's portion.

Nuclear-armed India and Pakistan recently indicated they are willing to hold high-level talks for the first time in nearly two years, but Kashmir remains the biggest obstacle, and border skirmishes remain common there. The victims are usually civilians.

Bombay airport shooting: Authorities said Sunday they would review security arrangements at Bombay's international airport after a paramilitary soldier killed his commanding officer and took six fellow soldiers hostage for seven hours before surrendering.

Armed with a rifle, the 22-year-old soldier, Raj Namdeo, held five women and one man inside a room at Chhatrapati Shivaji Airport on Saturday as commandos and riot police surrounded the area. No passengers were hurt, and flights were not affected, officials said. He surrendered seven hours later.

SARS in Taiwan: Taiwan rejected rival China's offer to help the island battle SARS, and insisted its out-

break was under control Sunday even as health officials reported another 12 fatalities, pushing the worldwide death toll past 700.

In Malaysia, about 200 navy personnel were quarantined on their ship after a crewmember died with symptoms of severe acute respiratory syndrome, a senior health official said Sunday.

War on terrorism

Fighting in Afghanistan: A former Taliban official died and three Afghans were injured when a gunfight broke out during a raid of the official's home in eastern Afghanistan by U.S. Special Forces, a governor said Sunday.

No U.S. casualties were reported in the clash Saturday night in Watapur Karmon village, said Fazal Akbar, the governor of Kunar province, said in an interview via satellite telephone.

It was not immediately possible to reach U.S. officials in Afghanistan for comment.

Afghan aid agencies: In separate attacks on international relief agencies, remote-controlled bombs seriously injured two Afghan engineers working for a German outfit, and a hand grenade damaged the offices of a Swiss-based group, officials said Sunday.

No one claimed responsibility for the violence in eastern Afghanistan, but officials blamed it on pro-Taliban and al-Qaida activists.

The two engineers working for Agro Action were in critical condition in Jalalabad Sunday, said Sakhi Dad Mahmood, who heads the local office of the aid group.

Military

Air Force Academy investigation: An investigation into sexual assaults at the Air Force Academy has found that twice as many male cadets were punished as previously reported, a spokesman for the investigators said Saturday.

The increase, from 21 to 40, is because the initial number did not count administrative actions as punishment, said Lt. Col. Dewey Ford.

Air Force investigators examined 57 reported incidents, ranging from unwanted touching to rapes, between 1990 and 2003. In their full report, to be available in a few weeks, they do not assign blame for the scandal.

States

Police shooting: As police continue their investigation into the fatal shooting of an unarmed African immigrant, a plainclothes officer allegedly involved has been identified by authorities.

Officer Bryan Conroy, who has been on the police force for three years, was placed on modified duty after the incident at a Chelsea storage facility, in which Ousmane Zango, 43, was shot four times.

United Way lawsuit: A United Way branch is suing two accounting firms for allegedly failing to notice that its former finance chief stole nearly \$2 million from the agency.

Capital Area United Way also wants the accounting firms Main Hurdman and KPMG to recoup the funds, said its lawyer, Powell Miller.

High school hazing: Twenty-eight of the 31 high school seniors suspended as a result of a brutal hazing in suburban Glenview, Ill., signed agreements that will allow them to graduate on time, school officials said.

The students will still be banned from the graduation ceremony and will be expelled, but can graduate if they had enough credit and passing grades up until the incident, said Superintendent Dave Hales.

CDC doctor recovering: Dr. Chesley L. Richards Jr., an infection control expert with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, arrived in Atlanta late Friday, said Richard Quartarone, spokesman for the Georgia Division of Public Health.

CDC officials decided to have Richards return to the United States after he developed a fever and a cough last week that indicated the possibility of SARS. However, a chest X-ray did not indicate pneumonia, which is a symptom of a probable SARS case.

Stories from wire services

Memorial

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Those buried here make up a small portion of the tens of thousands of Americans who died in the country during World War I and II. And those buried in all American cemeteries in France make up only about 39 percent of those killed in the country. The remains of the others were returned to the United States at the request of their families.

However, families of many casualties wanted their loved ones buried in the cemetery so they could be with their comrades, cemetery superintendent Al Nagel said.

Ensign Mike Jarosz, who had the part of honor guard commander, said being involved in the ceremony was humbling.

"Growing up in a military family, I've come to understand the sacrifices that people and their families have all made," he said. "For each headstone, there's a family behind it who had a loss."

Warm French welcome surprises, pleases U.S. sailors and Marines

DRAGUIGNAN, France — When a group of sailors, Marines and airmen from Naval Station Rota, Spain, arrived in southern France last week for a Memorial Day ceremony, most did not expect the greatness of welcomes.

But, to their surprise, they were overwhelmed by French hospitality.

While relations between longtime allies United States and France are strained because of disagreements over the handling of the Iraq crisis, the roughly 40 U.S. servicemembers who visited this past week said they couldn't tell.

"What was going on with the war and how France was all against it, I thought that the French people were going to be against Americans," said Petty Officer 3rd Class Brian Neaves, an electronics technician from Rota.

"But when I got here, I learned just the opposite. ..."

During the ceremony at Rhone American Cemetery, some French residents posed for photos with the Marines and asked for autographs. A handful of residents carried small U.S. flags.

Residents treated many of the U.S. servicemembers like prized guests as soon as they arrived.

Wherever the Americans went in town, they were smothered with kindness. Some restaurants offered Marines and sailors free drinks and appetizers. Many locals offered to ferry servicemembers from the city bars to the French base where the group was staying for a memorial ceremony in town.

Some servicemembers joked that they weren't sure they were in France.

Neaves went to a bar with 16 other servicemembers the night they arrived. When it was time to return to the base, the taxis were gone and they had no ride.

The bar owner recruited a friend to take all of them back in his small car.

"He made quite a few trips, but he did not have a problem with it," Neaves said. "We tried offering him money and he said, 'No.'"

The next night, the bar owner's daughter gave the group a lift home.

Ensign Mike Jarosz said on Friday night, French officers invited the U.S. officers in the group to a dinner on base.

And the topic of the war, American boycotts of French products and the strained relations between the two countries never came up during dinner.

—Scott Schonauer

Missile explodes in Baghdad, 3 killed

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BAGHDAD, Iraq — A surface-to-air missile left over from Saddam Hussein's regime fell off a trailer and exploded Sunday, killing three people and injuring at least two others, residents of a poor Baghdad neighborhood said.

They said the accident happened at about 10 a.m. in the al-Thawra slum as Iraqi contractors were removing four unexploded Iraqi missiles left over from the war.

Army Lt. Col. Joel Armstrong identified the rockets as SA2 surface-to-air-missiles. But he said he had no information on the explosion or the number of casualties. No U.S. soldier was involved in the destruction of the missiles, he said.

"We are really sorry for the victims," said Armstrong, 45, of Fort Polk, La.

Several cars, a car wash and two nearby car-repair shops were destroyed. Twisted metal and pieces of the missiles littered the area. U.S. soldiers brought fire engines and extinguished the fire, Armstrong said.

Unexploded ordnance from the war and ammunition caches are scattered throughout Iraq and are proving a major concern. Human rights groups have exhorted U.S. forces to clean up unexploded ordnance, particularly in populated areas. The Iraqi army hid much of its ammunition in schools.

Jasim al-Darraji, owner of a nearby car-repair shop, said workers had removed two

missiles from the area and were moving another one. The missile was being placed on a trailer when it turned over, spewing yellow fluid.

Shortly afterward, it exploded. Fragments of it hit another missile that also exploded, causing deaths and destruction on the edge of al-Thawra City, a rough, predominantly Shiite area that was known until last month as Saddam City.

Sayed Abed-Mohammed al-Hamdani, who saw the explosion, said a teenage boy was killed in al-Hamdani's car-repair shop as the boy waited for his father who was having his car fixed. Two of al-Hamdani's employees were injured.

A young man riding in a bus also was killed, as was a 13-year-old bystander, al-Hamdani said.

Sailor presumed dead after falling from USS Nassau

The Associated Press

NORFOLK, VA. — A sailor returning from the war in Iraq fell from his ship into the Atlantic Ocean about 900 miles off the Virginia coast and was presumed dead, military officials said Sunday.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Dwayne Williams, 23, of Philadelphia, was chasing a football on the deck of the amphibious assault ship USS Nassau when he tripped and fell overboard Friday, the ship's captain said.

Commander Ernest Duplessis, a spokesman for the Navy's Second Fleet, confirmed Sunday that the Navy had ended its search and that Williams' body had not been recovered.

Capt. Russell Tjepkema of the Nassau said Williams was wearing coveralls and boots, which would have weighed him down, and did not have a lifejacket when he fell. He said the crew threw Williams a float and sent a rescue boat within five minutes. Rescuers found the float and searched for Williams for nine hours until it became too dark to continue, he said.

"My mind tells me this is the right thing to do, but my heart tells me to go back and look for the guy," Tjepkema told a CNN crew that was aboard the ship to cover its return to Norfolk.

Williams, who had been in the Navy for nearly four years, pumped gas and took care of fuel stations on the ship, the captain said.

The Nassau had been deployed for nine months.

"Dwayne Williams was an absolutely fine sailor," Tjepkema said. "He was cheerful, good-humored and he talked about his wife and his mom and his grandma a lot."

Duplessis said there were 8- to 10-foot seas, and the water temperature was approximately 64 degrees. He estimated that a person could survive for about 3 hours in those conditions.

The Nassau is scheduled to drop off the 24th Marine Expeditionary Force in North Carolina and return to Norfolk on Thursday, Duplessis said.

Bush stumps for funds for re-election bid

BY SHARON THEIMER

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush is asking more than a million potential donors to give money now for his 2004 re-election bid so he can focus on fighting terrorism and running the country.

"My responsibilities as president will require me to focus primarily on our nation's business for most of the next year," Bush wrote in a letter dated May 16, the day he began his re-election campaign.

"I'll depend on friends and supporters like you to get my campaign organized and operating across our country," the president said.

"We have no more urgent and important duty than to wage and win the war on terrorism," he said. "We must make use of the moment history has given us to extend liberty to others around the world, because in the long term, freedom and hope are the best weapons against terror."

The letter was mailed to more than 1 million people, and was sent to others by e-mail. It is part of a far-reaching effort aimed at collecting as much cash as early in the race as possible.

Bush has no Republican challenger and earned a 66 percent job approval rating in a recent CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll. Still, he told prospective donors, he is taking nothing for granted.

"It will be months before Democrats settle on a candidate, but the election could be close," Bush wrote. "The strength of our grass-roots effort will determine the outcome. I need the help of friends now."

Bush is widely expected to raise more than \$200 million for the primary season, although the White House has said only that he will exceed the record \$100 million he raised for the 2000 primaries.

He will be helped in his effort by at least two groups of volunteer fund-raisers: the new "rangers," who will raise

at least \$200,000 each, and the "pioneers," who solicit at least \$100,000 each and debuted in the 2000 campaign.

In addition to his volunteers' efforts, Bush will headline several \$2,000-a-ticket events next month.

Those include an event June 17 in Washington; June 20 in Greensboro, Ga.; June 23 in New York; June 27 in suburban San Francisco and Los Angeles; and on June 30, in Miami and Tampa, Fla.

The two California events alone are expected to draw about \$6 million; that is close to what the top two early Democratic fund-raisers, Sens. John Edwards and John Kerry, each took in from January through March, the most recent figures available.

Vice President Dick Cheney is to hold a June 23 fund-raiser near Boston.

Bush also is raising money over the Internet. In its first week up, his Web site took in about \$25,252 from 118 donors, averaging \$214 per donation, Republican National Committee spokesman Jim Dyke said.

Kidd leads Nets to finals

BY JOSEPH WHITE

The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Before there was a celebration, there was an almighty hush. Jason Kidd lay on the court grabbing his right ankle, a towel stuffed in his mouth to help him fight the pain.

Amazingly, Kidd didn't miss a second. He got up and scored eight points in a 13-1 fourth-quarter run that put the game away and led the New Jersey Nets back to the NBA Finals.

Kidd, his ankle only twisted, finished with 26 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists Saturday night as the older, wiser and better Nets defended their Eastern Conference title with a 102-82 victory to complete a sweep of the Detroit Pistons.

"I'm nervous. Our best player's on the floor," coach Byron Scott said. "But I also know he's one of our toughest players."

"He's going to be sore for the next three, four days. It's good this series is over. After he got hurt and came back, for some reason our guys had a lift. He came back in the game and the crowd went crazy, and the guys pretty much fed off that, and we went on an unbelievable run."

The Nets, who had five days off between their sweep of Boston and the start of the Detroit series, will have 10 days to prepare for the start of the NBA Finals on June 4. They will play either San Antonio or Dallas, who resume their Western Conference final series Sunday with the Spurs leading 2-1.

The Nets made the NBA Finals in a surprising season a year ago, but were swept by the Los Angeles Lakers.

"This year, unlike last year, we're not just happy to get there," Scott said. "We feel we can win a championship with what we have right here. That one-hit wonder stuff is gone. We have something special here."

The Nets have won 10 consecutive playoff games, the fourth-longest single-season playoff streak in NBA history,

behind the 1999 Spurs (12), the 2000 Lakers (11), and the 1989 Lakers (11). The all-time winning streak is 13 by the Lakers, spanning the 1988 and '89 seasons.

"We just ran into a Nets team that is like a steamroller right now," Detroit coach Rick Carlisle said. "Our undoing in this series was letting the first two games get away. We were in a position to win both, and Kenyon Martin and Jason Kidd simply would not let them lose those games."

Martin had 14 points and 10 rebounds for the Nets, but it was the Kidd-led fastbreak that again put its stamp on the game. The Nets outscored the Pistons 19-0 in transition — and 94-15 for the series.

"Get back on defense," said Carlisle, asked what advice he would give the Western Conference champion.

The victory came one day after the New Jersey Devils, the Nets' co-tenants in the Continental Airlines Arena, advanced to the Stanley Cup finals. It's the first time two teams who share the same building have advanced to the NBA and Stanley Cup finals in the same year since New York's Knicks and Rangers in 1994.

Clifford Robinson scored 21 points, and Richard Hamilton, Detroit's only reliable scoring threat in the series, had 20 for the Pistons.

As in Game 3, the Nets took the lead for good in the first quarter although this time things got uncomfortably close early in the fourth quarter — especially when it appeared Kidd might have a serious injury.

The Pistons, showing the heart they lacked in the second half of Game 3, cut a 15-point third-quarter to six on Clifford Robinson's 3-pointer with 9:29 to play.

Then came the scare: Kidd twisted his ankle grabbing the rebound off Hamilton's missed jumper with 6:59 to play. Kidd's right foot landed awkwardly on Ben Wallace's right foot, and the New Jersey point guard had a towel stuffed in his mouth to fight the pain as he lay on the court with the crowd chanting "M-V-P!"

"It got my heart pumping faster," Kidd said. "Once I knew I could stand up, I was all right. ... I tried to keep my composure."

I took some deep breaths, some Lamaze techniques. When I could stand up on my own, I knew I could continue. That was my one and only goal, to see if I could walk to the bench."

Scott called a timeout, and asked Kidd if backup Anthony Johnson should enter the game.

"He said, 'No.' I also knew then we'd better win this game — so we can get some rest," Scott said.

With 5:27 to go, Kidd started his own personal 8-1 run by getting free on a screen to hit a 17-foot jumper that made it 90-74. The series was over. He left to a standing ovation and a hug from Martin — and more chants of "M-V-P!" — with the score 96-75 with three minutes left.

"We're going back," Martin told Kidd as they hugged. "We're going back. We're not going to lose this year."

The Nets, as they have all series, had big advantages in rebounds — 51-27 — and points in the paint — 50-26.

Notes: Detroit point guard Chauncey Billups, who played the series on a sprained ankle, shot just 1-of-8 and scored six points. He was 11-for-40 for the series. ... Detroit has lost eight straight Eastern Conference finals games, having been swept by Chicago in their last appearance in 1991. ... The Pistons have also dropped 16 of their last 18 postseason road games. ... Although they advanced to the Eastern Conference finals, the Pistons finished the postseason with a losing record (8-9). The Nets, by contrast are 12-2. ... Wallace got a technical foul for saying something to an official in the third quarter, giving Detroit five technicals in the series to New Jersey's one. ... Jefferson said before the game that he'd like to have both his team and the NHL's New Jersey Devils win their respective league titles, but had one question.

"If you have a parade, where does it go?" Jefferson said. "The parking lot? Only in Jersey."

Gil de Ferran takes 87th checkered flag at Indy

BY MIKE HARRIS

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Helio Castroneves has been the center of attention all month at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, while teammate Gil de Ferran has gone about his business almost unnoticed.

Castroneves has a chance to make history Sunday by winning his third straight Indianapolis 500. De Ferran is just glad to be here.

"There's no question that Helio is a better story this month," de Ferran said of his Brazilian countryman. "I have to admit, though, it has been nice not to have a lot of distractions."

That's been particularly important this month with de Ferran coming back from serious injuries sustained in a crash March 23 during the Indy Racing League event in Phoenix.

De Ferran had a severe concussion and fractures to his neck and lower back when he and Michael Andretti collided, sending both cars into the wall. Andretti was not injured.

While the head injury cleared up in a short time, de Ferran is still feeling the effects of the neck and lower back injuries.

"It's still not back to normal and I can't do my running or my usual workouts," said de Ferran, clutching his lower back and twisting his neck to illustrate the continuing discomfort.

"I had to stay on my back for a while and I had a terrible headache for a while, but there isn't any pain now."

"I'm comfortable in the race car," he added. "The first practice (at Indy on May 4) was the first time I was back in the car and it really was not a problem."

Asked if three hours of driving Sunday will be difficult, de Ferran said, "I think I'm really in pretty good shape and I've driven a lot of miles this month. It will be fine."

Team owner Roger Penske has amassed a record 12 victories at Indy.

Although he is rooting for his teammate to do well in the race, de Ferran, who finished second to Castroneves in 2001, said there will be no "team orders" on Sunday.

"If Helio and I are racing for the win at the end, the only thing Roger will say is 'Don't crash each other,'" de Ferran said. "We'll race to the finish."

"Besides, if Roger was trying to tell me to let Helio by, my radio would probably have a sudden problem with static."

Not Fisher's day

INDIANAPOLIS — With Annika Sorenstam's adventure complete, Sarah Fisher had a chance to be the woman of the day in sports.

Her opportunity lasted about 10 minutes.

Engine problems forced the lone woman in the Indianapolis 500 out of Sunday's race after only 14 laps — about the time it took Sorenstam to get through one of the 36 holes she played against the men earlier on Thursday and Friday.

"It stinks," Fisher said. "A lot of people worked really hard, and to have this happen ..."

This was the 21-year-old Fisher's fourth start here.

She has only finished the race once, and this — her third 31st-place finish — may have been her most disappointing showing of all.

After her faulty engine caused her to spin out, Fisher spent about 45 minutes in the infield care center, then hobbled out the door with ice and a heavy wrap around her left foot. It was the same foot she whacked in an accident last month in Japan.

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Scores/standings

Stanley Cup finals

(Best-of-seven)

Tuesday, May 27

Anaheim at New Jersey

Thursday, May 29

Anaheim at New Jersey

Saturday, May 31

New Jersey at Anaheim

Monday, June 2

New Jersey at Anaheim

Thursday, June 5

Anaheim at New Jersey, if necessary

Saturday, June 7

New Jersey at Anaheim, if necessary

Monday, June 9

Anaheim at New Jersey, if necessary

Conference finals

(Best-of-seven)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Detroit vs. New Jersey

Sunday, May 18

New Jersey 76, Detroit 74

Tuesday, May 20

New Jersey 88, Detroit 86

Thursday, May 22

New Jersey 97, Detroit 85

Saturday, May 24

New Jersey 102, Detroit 82, New Jersey wins 4-0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

San Antonio vs. Dallas

Monday, May 19

Dallas 113, San Antonio 110

Wednesday, May 21

San Antonio 119, Dallas 106

Friday, May 23

San Antonio 96, Dallas 83, San Antonio leads series 2-1

Sunday, May 25

San Antonio at Dallas

Tuesday, May 27

Dallas at San Antonio

Thursday, May 29

San Antonio at Dallas, if necessary

Saturday, May 31

Dallas at San Antonio, if necessary

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	30	18	.625	—
New York	29	20	.592	1½
Toronto	26	24	.520	5
Baltimore	22	26	.458	8
Tampa Bay	19	29	.396	11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	28	20	.583	—
Kansas City	26	21	.553	1½
Chicago	22	26	.458	6
Cleveland	17	31	.354	11
Detroit	12	35	.255	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	31	17	.646	—
Oakland	28	20	.583	3
Anaheim	23	24	.489	7½
Texas	23	25	.479	8

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	33	16	.673	—
Montreal	31	18	.633	2
Philadelphia	27	22	.551	6
New York	22	27	.449	11
Florida	21	29	.420	12½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	27	21	.563	—
St. Louis	25	22	.532	1½
Houston	26	23	.531	1½
Cincinnati	24	25	.490	3½
Pittsburgh	19	29	.396	8
Milwaukee	18	31	.367	9½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	30	18	.625	—
Los Angeles	29	20	.592	1½
Arizona	22	27	.449	8½
Colorado	22	27	.449	8½
San Diego	14	35	.286	16½

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